would be used in the programme. In this programme interviews, of six other persons were recorded for longer duraton but much lesser footage was t However particular care is taken ,that while editing the programmes statements made by the interviewee are not distorted and the gist of what the interviewee intended to say is faithfully conveyed. Regarding. General Mayadas's views on the; choice of the gun which was the main thrust of the first part of the programme his views were fully telecast.

(b) No, Sir, It is not the general practice followed by Doordarshan.

**Production of Vanaspati**

1276. SHRI KAMAL MORARKA: Will Ihe, Minister of FOOD AND CIVIL SUPPLIES be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that production of Vanaspati is on a declining trend;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor: and

(c) what corrective action is beitakep in this regard?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF FOOD AND CIVIL SUPPLIES (SHRI D. L. BALTHA): (a) There was a decline in the production of vanaspati during the months of April May. _ However, the production has gone up in the month of June as shown below:

| . *Month,* 1988, | *Production* (in tonnes) |
|---|---|
| February | 81,554 |
| March | 80,654 |
| April | 73,69 |
| May | 75,210 |
| June • | 82,005 |

(b) and (c) One of the main reasons for the decline in production is the shortage of tinplates for packing of vanaspati. As a remedial measure, permission is being regularly grantejd for the use of non-ISI (thoroughly cleaned second band tin containers for packing, of vana-; The Bureau of Indian Standards (BIS) has also been asked, to ensure expeditions clearance of pending applications for the manufacture of pouches for packing oi vanaspati.

1277. [Tranferred to the 9th August, 1988.]

**Introduction of mid-day programme,**

1278. SHRI RAJNI RANJAN SAHU: Wil[ the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to

(a) whether Government propose to introduce one hour mid-day programme on Doordarshan for housewives and retiied persons; and

.(b) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND THE MINISTER OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI H. K. L. BHAGAT): (a) and (b) Yes, Sir. It has beem decided to commence afternoon transmission, from 1345 his. to 1445 hrs. on Mondays to Fridays. The programmes to be included in this transmission will be e mix of entertainment, utility and infcff'mative etc.

**Setting up of district Centres to implement scheme for Handicapped**

1279. SHRl RAJNI RANJAN SAHU: Wii'l the Minister of WELFARE be pleased ' to state:

(a} whether it is a fact that Government propose to set up district Rehabili-ta^pn Centre to implement scheme to provide comprehensive and coordinated services to Handicapped persons living in rural areas; and

(b) if so how many centres have been set up ,so far State-wise?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF WELFARE (SHRIMATI SUMATI ORAON): (a) and (b) The District Rehabilitation Centre Scheme has